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They are enforced of very necessity to *press* the best and greatest part of their men out of the West countries, which is no small charge.

The endeavour to raise new men for the recruit of the army by *pressing*, found opposition in many places.

The peaceful peasant to the wars is *press*,
The fields lie fallow in inglorious rest.
Must grandson Filbert to the wars be *press*,
You were *pressed* for the sea-service, and got off with much ado.

To *press*. *v. n.*
1. To act with compulsive violence; to urge; to distress.
If there be fair proofs on the one side, and none at all on the other, and if the most *pressing* difficulties be on that side, on which there are no proofs, this is sufficient to render one opinion very credible, and the other altogether incredible.

A great many uneasinesses always soliciting the will, it is natural, that the greatest and most *pressing* should determine it to the next action.

2. To go forward with violence to any object.
I make bold to *press*
With so little preparation.

You're welcome.
I *press* toward the mark for the prize.
The Turks gave a great shout, and *pressed* in on all sides, to have entered the breach.

Thronging crowds *press* on you as you pass,
And with their eager joy make triumph flow.
Th' insulting victor *presses* on the more,
And treads the steps the vanquish'd trod before.

She is always drawn in a posture of walking, it being as natural for Hope to *press* forward to her proper objects, as for Fear to fly from them.

Let us not therefore faint, or be weary in our journey, much less turn back or sit down in despair; but *press* cheerfully forward to the high mark of our calling.

3. To make invasion; to encroach.
On superior powers
Were we to *press*, inferior might on ours.

4. To crowd; to throng.
For he had healed many, infomuch that they *pressed* upon him for to touch him.

Counsel the may; and I will give thy ear
The knowledge first of what is fit to hear:
What I transact with others or alone,
Beware to learn; nor *press* too near the throne.

5. To come unseasonably or importunately.
To urge with vehemence and importunity.
He *pressed* upon them greatly; and they turned in.

6. To urge with vehemence and importunity.
The left blood he drew, the more he took of treasure;
and, as some construed it, he was the more sparing in the one, that he might be the more *pressing* in the other.

7. To act upon or influence.
And *press* for passage with extended hands.

8. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
Patroclus *presses* upon Hector too boldly, and by obliging him to fight, discovers it was not the true Achilles.

9. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
The instrument by which any thing is crushed or squeezed.
The *press* is full, the fats overflow.

10. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
The stomach and intestines are the *press*, and the lacteal vessels the strainers, to separate the pure emulsion from the faces.

11. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
They kept their cloaths, when they were not worn, constantly in a *press*, to give them a lustre.

12. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
These letters are of the second edition; he will print them out of doubt, for he cares not what he puts into the *press*, when he would put us two in.

13. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
Croud; tumult; throng.
Paul and Barnabas, when infidels admiring their virtues, went about to sacrifice unto them, rent their garments in token of horror, and as frightened, ran crying through the *press* of the people, O men wherefore do ye these things.

14. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
She held a great gold chain ylinked well,
And lower part did reach to lowest hell,
And all that *press* did round about her swell,
To catchen hold of that long chain.

15. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
Who is it in the *press* that calls on me?
I hear a tongue, shriller than all the music,
Cry, Caesar.

16. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
Death having *press'd* upon the outward parts,
Leaves them insensible; his freeze is now
Against the mind; the which he pricks and wounds
With many legions of strange fantasies;

Which in their throng, and *press* to that last hold,
Confound themselves.
Ambitious Turnus in the *press* appears,
And aggravating crimes augment their fears.

17. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
A new express all Agra does affright,
Darah and Aurengzebe are join'd in fight;
The *press* of people thickens to the court,
Th' impatient croud devouring the report.

18. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
Through the *press* enrag'd Thalestris flies,
And scatters deaths around from both her eyes.

19. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
A kind of wooden case or frame for cloaths and other uses.
Creep into the kill hole.—Neither *press*, coffer, chest, trunk; but he hath an abstract for the remembrance of such places.

20. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
A commission to force men into military service.
For *press*,
If I be not ashamed of my soldiers, I am a fow'd gullet;
I have misus'd the king's *press* damnably.

21. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
Concerning the musters and *presses* for sufficient mariners to serve in his majesty's ships, either the care is very little, or the bribery very great.

22. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}SED. *n. f.* [*press* and *bed*.] Bed so formed, as to be shut up in a case.

23. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}ER. *n. f.* [from *press*.] One that presses or works at a press.
Of the stuffs I give the profits to dyers and *pressers*.

24. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}SGANG. *n. f.* [*press* and *gang*.] A crew that strols about the streets to force men into naval service.

25. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}INGLY. *adv.* [from *pressing*.] With force; closely.
The one contracts his words, speaking *pressingly* and short; the other delights in long-breathed accents.

26. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}ION. *n. f.* [from *press*.] The act of pressing.
If light consisted only in *pression*, propagated without actual motion, it would not be able to agitate and heat the bodies, which refract and reflect it: if it consisted in motion, propagated to all distances in an instant, it would require an infinite force every moment, in every shining particle, to generate that motion: and if it consisted in *pression* or motion, propagated either in an instant or in time, it would bend into the shadow.

27. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}ITANT. *adj.* Gravitating; heavy. A word not in use.
Neither the celestial matter of the vortices, nor the air, nor water are *pressitant* in their proper places.

28. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}MAN. *n. f.* [*press* and *man*.]
1. One who forces another into service; one who forces away. One only path to all; by which the *pressmen* came.

2. One who makes the impression of print by the press: distinct from the compositor, who ranges the types.

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Each mind is *press*, and open every ear,
To hear new tidings, though they no way joy us.

Gritus desired nothing more than, at his first entrance, to have confirmed the opinion of his authority in the minds of the vulgar people, by the *press* and ready attendance of the Vayuod.

2. Near; tight. In both senses the word is obsolete.
More wealth any where, to be breefe
More people, more handsome and *press*
Where find ye?

3. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}. *n. f.* [*press*, Fr.] A loan.
He required of the city a *press* of six thousand marks; but, after many parleys, he could obtain but two thousand pounds.

4. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}IGATION. *n. f.* [*pressigatio*, Lat.] A deceiving; a juggling; a playing legerdmain.
PRE^{ss}IGATORS. *n. f.* [*pressigie*, Lat.] Illusions; impostures; juggling tricks.

5. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}ITO. *n. f.* [*pressito*, Italian.] Quick; at once. A word used by those that show legerdmain.
Press! begone! 'tis here again;
There's every piece as big as ten.

6. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
PRE^{ss}MABLY. *adv.* [from *presume*.] Without examination.
Authors *presumably* writing by common places, wherein, for many years, promiscuously amassing all that make for their subject, break forth at last into useless rhapsodies.

7. To *press* upon. To invade; to push against.
To *PRESUME*. *v. n.* [*presumer*, Fr. *presume*, Lat.]
1. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. O much deceiv'd, much failing, hapless Eve!
Of thy *presum'd* return, event perversely!
Experience supplants the use of conjecture in the point; we do not only *presume* it may be so, but actually find it is so.

2. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. Although in the relation of Moses there be very few persons mentioned, yet are there many more to be *presumed*.

3. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. That as my hand has open'd bounty to you,
My heart dropp'd love; my pow'r rain'd honour more
On you, than any.

4. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. To venture without positive leave.
There was a matter we were no less desirous to know, than fearful to ask, lest we might *presume* too far.
I to the heav'nly vision thus *presum'd*.

5. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. The form of Ovid being already written in our language, I will not *presume* so far upon myself, to think I can add any thing to Mr. Sandys his undertaking.

6. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. This man *presumes* upon his party, that they will not fail him at time of need, and so thinks it superfluous labour to make any provision beforehand.

7. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. To make confident or arrogant attempts.
In this we fail to perform the thing, which God seeth meet, convenient and good; in that we *presume* to see what is meet and convenient, better than God himself.

8. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. God, to remove his ways from human sense, Plac'd heav'n from earth so far, that earthly light, If it *presume*, might err in things too high,
And no advantage gain.

9. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. It has on or upon sometimes before the thing supposed, or causing presumption.
He, that would not deceive himself, ought to build his hypothesis on matter of fact, and not *presume* on matter of fact, because of his hypothesis.

10. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. Luther *presumes* upon the gift of continency.

11. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. It has of sometimes, but not properly.
Presuming of his force, with sparkling eyes,
Already he devours the promis'd prize.

12. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. PRE^{ss}UMER. *n. f.* [from *presume*.] One that presupposes; an arrogant person.
Heavy with some high minds is an overweight of obligation; otherwise great deliverers do grow intolerable *presumers*.

13. To suppose; to believe previously without examination. PRESUMPTION. *n. f.* [*presumptus*, Lat. *presumptio*, Fr.]
1. Supposition previously formed.
Thou hast shew'd us how unsafe it is to offend thee, upon *presumptions* afterwards to please thee.

2. Confidence grounded on any thing presupposed.
A *presumption*, upon this aid, was the principal motive for the undertaking.

3. An argument strong, but not demonstrative; a strong probability.
The error and insufficiency of their arguments doth make it, on the contrary side against them, a strong *presumption*, that God hath not moved their hearts to think such things, as he hath not enabled them to prove.

4. Arrogance; confidence blind and adventurous; presumptuousness.

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Let my *presumption* not provoke thy wrath;
For I am sorry, that with reverence
I did not entertain thee as thou art.

It warns a warier carriage in the thing,
Left blind *presumption* work their ruin.
I had the *presumption* to dedicate to you a very unfinished piece.

5. Unreasonable confidence of divine favour.
The awe of his majesty will keep us from *presumption*, and the promises of his mercy from despair.

6. PRESUMPTIVE. *adj.* [*presumptive*, Fr. from *presume*.]
1. Taken by previous supposition.
We commonly take shape and colour for so *presumptive* ideas of several species, that, in a good picture, we readily say this is a lion, and that a rose.

2. Supposed; as, the presumptive heir: opposed to the heir apparent.

3. Confident; arrogant; presumptuous.
There being two opinions repugnant to each other, it may not be *presumptive* or sceptical to doubt of both.

4. PRESUMPTUOUS. *adj.* [*presumptuoux*, *presumptueux*, Fr.]
1. Arrogant; confident; insolent.
Presumptuous priest, this place commands my patience.

2. I follow him not
With any token of *presumptuous* suit;
Nor would I have him, till I do deserve him.

3. The boldness of advocates prevail with judges; whereas they should imitate God, who represseth the *presumptuous*, and giveth grace to the modest.

4. Their minds somewhat rais'd
By false *presumptuous* hope.
Some will not venture to look beyond received notions of the age, nor have so *presumptuous* a thought, as to be wiser than their neighbours.

5. Irreverent with respect to holy things.
Thus I *presumptuous*; and the vision bright,
As with a smile more brighten'd, thus reply'd.
The pow'r's incens'd
Punish'd his *presumptuous* pride,
That for his daring enterprize the dy'd.

6. Presumptuous Crete, that boasts the tomb of Jove.

7. PRESUMPTUOUSLY. *adv.* [from *presumptuous*.]
1. Arrogantly; irreverently.
Do you, who study nature's works, decide,
Whilst I the dark mysterious cause admire;
Nor, into what the gods conceal, *presumptuously* enquire.

2. With vain and groundless confidence in divine favour.
I entreat your prayers, that God will keep me from all premature persuasion of my being in Christ, and not suffer me to go on *presumptuously* or desperately in any course.

3. PRESUMPTUOUSNESS. *n. f.* [from *presumptuous*.] Quality of being presumptuous; confidence; irreverence.

4. PRESUPPOSAL. *n. f.* [*præ* and *supposal*.] Supposal previously formed.
All things necessary to be known that we may be saved, but known with *presupposal* of knowledge concerning certain principles, whereof it receiveth us already persuaded.

5. To *PRESUPPOSE*. *v. a.* [*presupposere*, Fr. *præ* and *supposere*.] To suppose as previous.
In as much as righteous life *presupposeth* life, in as much as to live virtuously it is impossible except we live; therefore the first impediment, which naturally we endeavour to remove, is penury and want of things, without which we cannot live.

6. All kinds of knowledge have their certain bounds; each of them *presupposeth* many necessary things learned in other sciences, and known beforehand.

7. PRESUPPOSITION. *n. f.* [*presupposition*, Fr. *præ* and *supposition*.] Supposition previously formed.

8. PRESUMISE. *n. f.* [*præ* and *sumise*.] Surmise previously formed.
It was your *presumise*,
That, in the dole of blows, your son might drop.

9. PRETENCE. *n. f.* [*prætextus*, Lat.]
1. A false argument grounded upon fictitious postulates.
This *pretence* against religion will not only be baffled, but we shall gain a new argument to persuade men over.

2. The act of showing or alleging what is not real.
With flying speed and seeming great *pretence*
Came running in a messenger.

3. So strong his appetite was to those executions he had been accusom'd to in Ireland, without any kind of commission or *pretence* of authority.

4. O worthy not of liberty alone,
Too mean *pretence*, but honour.
Let not the Trojans, with a feign'd *pretence*
Of proffer'd peace, delude the Latian prince.

5. I should have dress'd the whole with greater care; but I had little time, which I am sure you know to be more than *pretence*.

6. Wake's Preparation for Death.

7. Assumption;

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